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(C) In a March 31 meeting to discuss reftel, MFA's Western Balkans Office Director Krassimir Tulechki told PolEcOff that although there was no final decision on submitting a brief on Kosovo to the International Court of Justice (ICJ), Bulgaria believes such a brief would be irrelevant. Bulgaria considers Kosovo's independence declaration to be complete, final and legal. Tulechki stated that the Bulgarians have delivered the same message to Serbia. He stressed that Bulgaria continues to support Kosovo's independence and inclusion in regional and international organizations.

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